

TESTIMONY FROM MONTANA CAPTIVE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION

RE: HB 160 AMENDMENTS TO CAPTIVE LAW

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Two unanswered questions from the testimony of 3-3-09.

1. Do any other states have surety in their captive law?

Answer: **YES**. The majority of Montana's captive competitors will consider surety in a captive. Those states are Hawaii, Nevada, South Carolina, Vermont and Washington DC.

2. Does the Montana Captive Association have any members that currently are working on surety captives?

- a. Answer: **YES**. There is one captive manager domiciled in Montana that does have a client that desires surety coverage for its client. Secondly another member of Montana Captive Insurance Association not domiciled in Montana has a client that they are submitting to Washington DC for surety coverage.

This bill is for the furtherance of the Economic Development Captive Insurance Bill first introduced and passed in 2001. Montana does need surety to be included in the captive law to retain its competitiveness in the Captive market.

The Montana Captive Insurance Association **SUPPORTS** the inclusion of surety in this bill.

I will be available for any further questions you may have.